

TOY DOLLS: OUR LAST DVD? (2005)

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Released by Music Video Distributors

Running Time: 160 minutes

Rating: NR

Color format: Color

Audio/Subtitles: 5.1 surround Region Code: 0, NTSC Aspect Ratio: Full frame 16:9 Enhanced: No

Special Features: Interview, behind the scenes, rehearsal footage, on tour footage throughout 2004

Trailer Online: No



England's THE TOY DOLLS are a wonderfully fun and talented band that unfortunately has been treated relatively like a novelty in the US. The band's level of talent and cleverness are things that in general betray the label of "punk rock" and tracks like "Nellie the Elephant", "Dig that Groove Baby", "She Goes to Finos" and "I've Got Asthma" are classics that one can never get tired of. After two and half decades the band considers calling it quits, although they are far from "dried up has beens" and it would be a shame for them to cut short their continually growing legacy of consistently entertaining music.

This DVD release features excellent audio and video quality as 27 tracks are performed in Utrecht Tivoli, Holland. It's an absolutely solid and enjoyable show that highlights the band's humor and talent as they barrel through each track with the hyperactive energy of a young kid hopped up on sugar. Ever the showmen, the band breaks into several interesting cover song choices that seem completely out of place in their chosen genre yet pulled off spectacularly. Watching the band bust out "The Entertainer", "Wipe out", "When the Saints go Marching in", or "Toccata" bring a smile to one's face and prove there is much more to this band than it may seem on the surface.



Fans of the band will surely not want to miss out on this stellar release and those new to THE TOY DOLLS would be doing themselves a favor by purchasing this DVD.

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